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NONFARM JOBS SEASONALLY DECLINE

Unemployment Rate Drops

Unemployment in Texas declined sharply over the month, as the actual (not seasonally adjusted) jobless rate dropped from 8.3 percent in June to 7.4 percent in July. There were some 90,000 fewer Texans seeking work in July, dropping the total to 652,300. The current rate continued to be above the year-ago level of 6.8 percent. Total employment rose modestly in the actual series, to an estimated 8,215,900 in mid-July.

Most of the decrease in unemployment was due to early entrants looking for summer jobs who did not find work and withdrew from the job search in July.

The seasonally adjusted Texas unemployment rate dropped from 8.2 percent in June to 7.2 percent in July. The year-ago rate was 6.7 percent. The U. S. seasonally adjusted rate fell from 7.8 percent in June to 7.7 percent in July. In July '91 the rate was 6.8 percent. The U. S. actual rate dropped from 7.8 percent to 7.6 percent over the month. A year ago that rate was 6.7 percent.

Nonfarm Salaried Jobs Decrease

The number of Nonfarm Salaried Jobs in Texas actually dropped over the month, as large layoffs of school and college personnel for the summer pushed the total down by 37,800 jobs. **Nonagricultural Wage and Salary Employment** totaled 7,226,600 in July, which was up by 70,200 from one year ago.

Total **Nonmanufacturing** fell by 38,800. At 6,235,100, this was an increase of 69,900 from June '91. **Government** showed the largest Nonmanufacturing decrease, losing 49,700 jobs over the month.

Wholesale and Retail Trade lost 500 jobs from one month ago. Eating and Drinking Places was down by 800; Wholesale Trade lost 600; Building Materials and Garden Supplies lost 400; while General Merchandise Stores fell by 200 over the month. Automotive

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CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES
(In Thousands)

	July'92	June '92	July'91
UNITED STATES (ACTUAL)			
Labor Force	129,599.0	129,002.0	127,327.0
Unemployment	9,845.0	10,095.0	8,576.0
Percent Unemployed	7.6%	7.8%	6.7%
Total Employment	119,754.0	118,907.0	118,751.0
UNITED STATES (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)			
Labor Force	127,532.0	127,549.0	125,204.0
Unemployment	9,760.0	9,975.0	8,475.0
Percent Unemployed	7.7%	7.8%	6.8%
Total Employment	117,772.0	117,574.0	116,729.0
STATE OF TEXAS (ACTUAL)			
Labor Force	8,868.2	8,937.6	8,737.6
Unemployment	652.3	742.6	595.7
Percent Unemployed	7.4%	8.3%	6.8%
Total Employment	8,215.9	8,195.0	8,141.9
STATE OF TEXAS (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)			
Labor Force	8,727.0	8,822.0	8,598.0
Unemployment	624.0	721.0	573.0
Percent Unemployed	7.2%	8.2%	6.7%
Total Employment	8,103.0	8,101.0	8,025.0

CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES ✚
TEXAS METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

	July'92*	June'92**	July'91**	July'92*	June'92**	July'91**	July'92*	June'92**	July'91**
		ABILENE			AMARILLO			AUSTIN	
Total Civilian Labor Force	51,700	52,100	50,400	100,200	100,200	99,000	458,900	467,100	450,000
Total Unemployment	3,400	3,800	3,000	5,300	6,000	5,300	22,600	26,700	22,900
Percent Unemployed	6.6%	7.3%	6.0%	5.3%	6.0%	5.4%	4.9%	5.7%	5.1%
Total Employment ++	48,300	48,300	47,400	94,900	94,200	93,700	436,300	440,400	427,100
	BEAUMONT-PORT ARTHUR			BRAZORIA			BROWNSVILLE-HARLINGEN		
Total Civilian Labor Force	183,200	184,800	175,300	98,800	99,700	95,100	114,900	117,500	113,200
Total Unemployment	16,100	18,300	13,600	7,400	8,400	5,900	13,800	16,100	14,800
Percent Unemployed	8.8%	9.9%	7.8%	7.5%	8.4%	6.2%	12.0%	13.7%	13.1%
Total Employment ++	167,100	166,500	161,700	91,400	91,300	89,200	101,100	101,400	98,400
	BRYAN-COLLEGE STATION			CORPUS CHRISTI			DALLAS***		
Total Civilian Labor Force	64,300	62,600	62,400	174,300	175,300	171,400	1,477.6	1,490.4	1,469.0
Total Unemployment	2,500	2,900	2,300	16,600	19,400	14,200	100.5	115.2	91.9
Percent Unemployed	3.9%	4.6%	3.7%	9.5%	11.1%	8.3%	6.8%	7.7%	6.3%
Total Employment ++	61,800	59,700	60,100	157,700	155,900	157,200	1,377.1	1,375.2	1,377.1
	EL PASO			FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON			GALVESTON-TEXAS CITY		
Total Civilian Labor Force	260,400	263,000	255,500	760,700	762,100	757,200	119,400	120,500	116,800
Total Unemployment	27,600	31,700	28,100	50,800	56,900	52,800	10,500	12,100	8,700
Percent Unemployed	10.6%	12.1%	11.0%	6.7%	7.5%	7.0%	8.8%	10.0%	7.4%
Total Employment ++	232,800	231,300	227,400	709,900	705,200	704,400	108,900	108,400	108,100
	HOUSTON***			KILLEEN-TEMPLE			LAREDO		
Total Civilian Labor Force	1,821.5	1,828.5	1,807.3	102,600	102,800	99,300	58,200	58,700	55,600
Total Unemployment	129.6	145.2	107.5	7,400	8,800	6,900	5,300	6,300	4,900
Percent Unemployed	7.1%	7.9%	5.9%	7.2%	8.6%	6.9%	9.1%	10.7%	8.8%
Total Employment ++	1,691.9	1,683.3	1,699.8	95,200	94,000	92,400	52,900	52,400	50,700
	LONGVIEW-MARSHALL			LUBBOCK			MCALLEN-EDINBURG-MISSION		
Total Civilian Labor Force	83,400	84,400	82,500	119,100	119,400	116,900	163,800	169,300	157,200
Total Unemployment	7,400	8,600	6,700	8,000	9,400	7,500	26,900	29,500	25,000
Percent Unemployed	8.9%	10.2%	8.1%	6.7%	7.9%	6.4%	16.4%	17.4%	15.9%
Total Employment ++	76,000	75,800	75,800	111,100	110,000	109,400	136,900	139,800	132,200
	MIDLAND			ODESSA			SAN ANGELO		
Total Civilian Labor Force	50,700	51,000	50,400	55,400	56,200	54,500	46,400	46,500	45,000
Total Unemployment	3,800	4,300	2,800	5,700	6,600	3,700	2,600	3,100	2,600
Percent Unemployed	7.5%	8.4%	5.6%	10.3%	11.7%	6.8%	5.6%	6.7%	5.8%
Total Employment ++	46,900	46,700	47,600	49,700	49,600	50,800	43,800	43,400	42,400
	SAN ANTONIO			SHERMAN-DENISON			TEXARKANA		
Total Civilian Labor Force	628,000	633,900	618,700	47,600	47,400	47,800	59,400	60,200	57,200
Total Unemployment	42,500	48,800	43,300	3,700	3,700	3,100	4,800	5,700	4,400
Percent Unemployed	6.8%	7.7%	7.0%	7.8%	7.8%	6.5%	8.1%	9.5%	7.7%
Total Employment ++	585,500	585,100	575,400	43,900	43,700	44,700	54,600	54,500	52,800
	TYLER			VICTORIA			WACO		
Total Civilian Labor Force	76,800	77,700	76,200	39,100	39,600	38,500	94,000	95,000	94,100
Total Unemployment	5,200	6,100	5,100	2,400	3,000	2,100	6,800	7,700	7,000
Percent Unemployed	6.8%	7.9%	6.7%	6.1%	7.6%	5.5%	7.2%	8.1%	7.4%
Total Employment ++	71,600	71,600	71,100	36,700	36,600	36,400	87,200	87,300	87,100
	WICHITA FALLS						STATE OF TEXAS***		
Total Civilian Labor Force	56,100	56,700	55,600				8,868.2	8,937.6	8,737.6
Total Unemployment	4,200	4,700	3,900				652.3	742.6	595.7
Percent Unemployed	7.5%	8.3%	7.0%				7.4%	8.3%	6.8%
Total Employment ++	51,900	52,000	51,700				8,215.9	8,195.0	8,141.9

✚ All estimates shown are "actual" (not seasonally adjusted). ++ Total employment includes resident wage and salary workers, self-employed, unpaid family workers and domestics in private households, agricultural workers, and workers involved in labor-management disputes.

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Dealers and Service Stations experienced the largest Retail gain, up by 1,000 from June. Seasonal vacation travel and general warm weather auto maintenance created a need for additional workers. Other Retail increases occurred in Apparel and Accessory Stores, up by 400, and in Food Stores, up by 100 over the month.

The largest Nonmanufacturing gain was seen in **Services**, up by 6,800 jobs from one month ago. Health Services showed the largest Services gain, up by 6,200 over the month, brought about partly by the hiring of graduates from nursing schools and the uninterrupted demand for more complete health care facilities. Business and Repair Services increased by 2,500, while Other Services and Miscellaneous rose by 300. Educational Services lost 800 jobs as the usual summer decline in educational staffing occurred. Engineering and Management Services fell by 700; Amusement, Including Motion Pictures lost 300; while Hotels and Other Lodging Places and Personal Services both decreased by 200 from June.

Transportation and Public Utilities increased by 2,100 over the month. The majority of this rise was found in Other Transportation, particularly in Transportation by Air, which rose by 2,000 from June, due to the usual growth in summertime air travel. Electric, Gas and Sanitary Services lost 300 jobs over the month.

July's growth in **Construction** employment was centered in Special Trade Contractors, where 1,800 jobs were added. Due to relatively low interest rates and a spurt of new housing starts, employment in the Construction industry was 3,300 above year-ago totals.

Finance, Insurance and Real Estate rose by 400 over the month, found mostly in Other Finance, Insurance and Real Estate. Depository Institutions, Including Banks increased by 100, while Insurance Carriers, Agents and Brokers fell by that same amount.

Mining increased by 300, all of which was found in Oil and Gas Extraction.

Manufacturing rose by 1,000 from June. At 991,500, this was up 300 from June '91. **Nondurable Goods** rose by 1,700 over the month. Printing and Publishing increased by 700. Smaller increases were found in Food and Kindred Products, up by 300; in Paper and Allied Products, Chemicals and Allied Products, and Rubber and Miscellaneous Plastics Products, all up by

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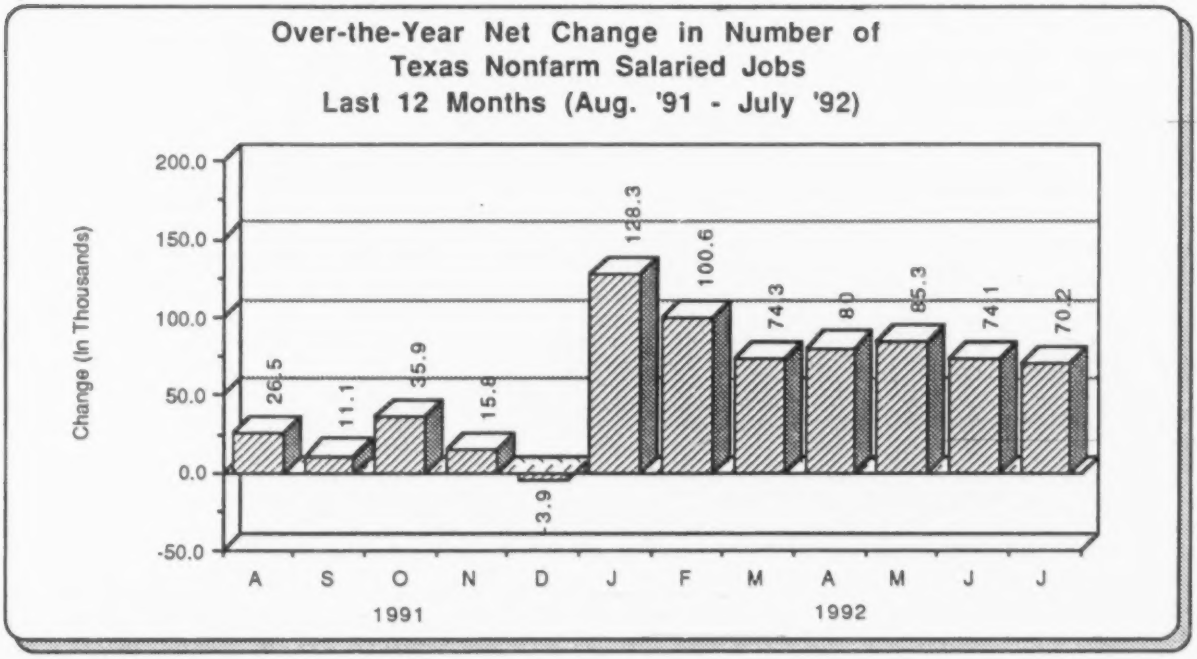

TEXAS NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT +

	July '92*	June '92**	July '91**	Chg. from June '92	Chg. from July '91
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	**7,226,600**	**7,264,400**	**7,156,400**	**-37,800**	**70,200**
MANUFACTURING	**991,500**	**990,500**	**991,200**	**1,000**	**300**
Durable Goods	**556,400**	**557,100**	**564,700**	**-700**	**-8,300**
Lumber & Wood Products	30,900	30,700	30,500	200	400
Logging Camps, Sawmills, Planing Mills	6,600	6,600	6,800	0	-200
Furniture & Fixtures	16,400	16,600	16,100	-200	300
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	34,900	34,800	34,500	100	400
Concrete, Gypsum & Plaster Prod.	14,700	14,800	14,800	-100	-100
Primary Metal Industries	30,800	30,900	31,100	-100	-300
Fabricated Metal Industries	81,100	81,100	82,700	0	-1,600
Fabr. Structructural Metal Prod.	39,200	39,100	39,600	100	-400
Industrial Machinery & Equipment	115,300	115,400	118,700	-100	-3,400
Oil & Gas Field Machinery	24,900	25,100	28,900	-200	-4,000
Electronic & Other Electrical Equipment	102,100	102,000	105,200	100	-3,100
Transportation Equipment	86,600	87,000	88,200	-400	-1,600
Aircraft & Parts	58,500	59,000	60,500	-500	-2,000
Instruments & Related Prod.	40,900	41,000	40,800	-100	100
Misc. Manufacturing Industries	17,400	17,600	16,900	-200	500
Nondurable Goods	**435,100**	**433,400**	**426,500**	**1,700**	**8,600**
Food & Kindred Products	97,700	97,400	96,900	300	800
Meat Products	31,300	31,100	30,000	200	1,300
Dairy Products	4,200	4,300	4,400	-100	-200
Bakery Products	10,200	10,200	10,100	0	100
Malt Beverages	3,200	3,200	3,000	0	200
Textile Mill Products	4,000	4,100	4,000	-100	0
Apparel & Oth. Fin. Textile Prod.	59,900	59,800	57,300	100	2,600
Paper & Allied Products	26,100	25,900	25,200	200	900
Printing & Publishing	77,000	76,300	76,000	700	1,000
Newspaper, Periodicals, Books & Misc.	37,300	36,600	36,000	700	1,300
Chemicals & Allied Products	88,300	88,100	87,300	200	1,000
Petroleum & Coal Products	30,600	30,600	30,400	0	200
Petroleum Refining	27,700	27,700	27,400	0	300
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	43,400	43,200	41,800	200	1,600
Leather & Leather Products	8,000	7,900	7,500	100	500
TOTAL NONMANUFACTURING	**6,235,100**	**6,273,900**	**6,165,200**	**-38,800**	**69,900**
Mining	**174,000**	**173,700**	**188,100**	**300**	**-14,100**
Metal & Coal & Nonmet. Mnrls., exc. Fuel	9,500	9,500	9,600	0	-100
Oil & Gas Extraction	164,500	164,200	178,500	300	-14,000
Construction	**357,200**	**355,400**	**353,900**	**1,800**	**3,300**
Transportation & Public Utilities	**439,300**	**437,200**	**437,900**	**2,100**	**1,400**
Railroad Transportation	16,900	16,900	17,300	0	-400
Other Transportation	256,000	253,800	250,000	2,200	6,000
Transportation by Air	83,800	81,800	79,600	2,000	4,200
Communications	88,700	88,500	89,900	200	-1,200
Electric, Gas & Sanitary Services	77,700	78,000	80,700	-300	-3,000
Electric Services	38,400	38,700	40,700	-300	-2,300
Gas Production & Distribution	26,900	26,800	28,300	100	-1,400
Wholesale & Retail Trade	**1,752,500**	**1,753,000**	**1,744,800**	**-500**	**7,700**
Wholesale Trade	435,500	436,100	438,300	-600	-2,800
Retail Trade	1,317,000	1,316,900	1,306,500	100	10,500
Building Materials & Garden Supplies	41,500	41,900	42,100	-400	-600
General Merchandise Stores	170,300	170,500	173,900	-200	-3,600
Food Stores	244,100	244,000	243,000	100	1,100
Automotive Dealers & Service Stations	136,100	135,100	134,400	1,000	1,700
Apparel & Accessory Stores	75,500	75,100	78,800	400	-3,300
Eating & Drinking Places	466,000	466,800	449,600	-800	16,400
Other Retail Trade	183,500	183,500	184,700	0	-1,200
Finance, Ins. & Real Estate	**432,400**	**432,000**	**430,200**	**400**	**2,200**
Depository Insts., incl. Banks	119,400	119,300	121,700	100	-2,300
Insurance Carriers, Agents & Brokers	145,000	145,100	142,900	-100	2,100
Other Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	168,000	167,600	165,600	400	2,400
Services	**1,840,400**	**1,833,600**	**1,791,100**	**6,800**	**49,300**
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	82,700	82,900	85,000	-200	-2,300
Personal Services	81,200	81,400	79,100	-200	2,100
Business & Repair Services	456,100	453,600	455,700	2,500	400
Amusement, Including Motion Pictures	92,800	93,100	94,300	-300	-1,500
Health Services	547,500	541,300	509,400	6,200	38,100
Educational Services	83,300	84,100	81,500	-800	1,800
Engineering & Mgmt. Services	158,200	158,900	155,800	-700	2,400
Other Services & Miscellaneous	338,600	338,300	330,300	300	8,300
Total Government	**1,239,300**	**1,289,000**	**1,219,200**	**-49,700**	**20,100**
Federal Government	200,200	199,900	199,200	300	1,000
State Government	279,800	276,700	269,900	3,100	9,900
Local Government	759,300	812,400	750,100	-53,100	9,200

+ Number of nonagricultural jobs in Texas without reference to place of residence of workers. Estimates of TEC in cooperation with Bureau of Labor Statistics, U. S. Department of Labor.

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NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT +
TEXAS METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

Industry	July'92*	June '92**	July'91**	July'92*	June '92**	July'91**	July'92*	June '92**	July'91**	July'92*	June '92**	July'91**
	ABILENE			AMARILLO			AUSTIN			BEAUMONT-PORT ARTHUR		
TOTAL	48,600	49,000	47,500	80,600	80,300	79,200	388,800	395,800	382,200	153,800	154,500	149,200
Manufacturing	4,300	4,400	4,200	8,800	8,900	8,400	51,900	51,800	51,700	25,900	25,700	25,600
Mining	1,400	1,300	1,400	700	700	800	800	800	800	2,000	2,000	2,000
Construction	1,800	1,800	1,500	3,000	2,800	3,300	13,600	13,700	13,100	17,400	17,600	16,300
Trans., Comm. & Util.	2,800	2,700	2,600	5,800	5,700	5,400	13,300	13,100	12,800	10,000	10,000	9,900
Trade	13,100	13,100	12,700	23,300	23,400	23,300	79,100	79,200	78,800	33,900	33,500	33,000
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	1,900	2,000	2,000	4,300	4,300	4,200	23,300	23,300	23,400	5,100	5,100	5,000
Services & Misc.	14,600	14,600	14,400	19,600	19,500	19,500	103,200	103,800	101,100	38,600	38,500	36,800
Government	8,700	9,100	8,700	15,100	15,000	14,300	103,600	110,100	100,700	20,900	22,100	20,600
	BRAZORIA			BROWNSVILLE-HARLINGEN			BRYAN-COLLEGE STATION			CORPUS CHRISTI		
TOTAL	73,000	73,900	71,500	80,700	80,600	78,500	55,400	53,500	53,300	137,100	136,800	137,100
Manufacturing	17,500	17,600	17,400	12,100	11,800	11,600	4,200	4,100	3,800	13,100	13,100	12,900
Mining	2,000	2,000	2,200	—	—	—	600	600	600	3,600	3,600	3,900
Construction	12,600	12,800	12,000	2,300	2,300	2,200	1,900	1,900	1,900	11,300	11,200	11,700
Trans., Comm. & Util.	2,700	2,700	2,800	4,000	3,800	3,600	1,500	1,400	1,400	7,000	6,900	7,100
Trade	13,000	13,200	12,900	22,100	22,200	21,500	11,900	11,600	11,600	32,600	32,400	32,700
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	1,900	1,900	1,900	3,900	3,700	3,700	1,800	1,800	1,700	6,000	5,900	6,200
Services & Misc.	11,200	11,400	10,800	19,500	19,400	19,100	11,000	11,000	10,700	33,800	33,900	33,000
Government	12,100	12,300	11,500	16,800	17,400	16,800	22,500	21,100	21,600	29,700	29,800	29,600
	DALLAS ***			EL PASO			FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON			GALVESTON-TEXAS CITY		
TOTAL	1,371.8	1,380.5	1,374.1	212,500	212,300	208,000	592,700	592,900	588,200	79,600	80,400	79,400
Manufacturing	209.2	209.8	214.9	42,400	41,700	40,600	102,900	103,500	106,900	8,700	8,700	8,700
Mining	18.3	18.2	18.6	—	—	—	4,300	4,400	4,400	700	700	700
Construction	44.7	44.7	46.4	8,200	8,100	7,300	20,900	20,500	22,300	4,300	4,400	4,500
Trans., Comm. & Util.	86.2	86.2	84.7	11,000	10,900	10,700	61,300	59,500	57,800	5,500	5,400	5,900
Trade	357.7	359.2	354.1	53,000	53,000	52,400	148,500	147,900	150,000	17,000	17,100	16,900
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	124.9	125.0	128.3	8,100	8,100	8,000	27,500	27,700	28,700	5,500	5,500	5,500
Services & Misc.	371.5	371.6	369.7	45,900	45,900	44,900	150,500	149,800	144,600	15,200	15,000	15,300
Government	159.3	165.8	157.4	43,900	44,600	44,100	76,800	79,600	73,500	22,700	23,600	21,900
	HOUSTON ***			KILLEEN-TEMPLE			LAREDO			LONGVIEW-MARSHALL		
TOTAL	1,638.6	1,642.1	1,646.4	77,200	76,800	74,700	49,300	49,200	47,100	70,800	71,300	70,400
Manufacturing	180.1	180.9	184.0	8,500	8,500	8,300	1,700	1,700	1,800	16,200	16,300	16,200
Mining	67.2	66.5	72.3	—	—	—	1,900	1,900	1,900	3,300	3,400	3,600
Construction	116.3	115.5	115.5	2,600	2,600	2,400	1,600	1,600	1,500	3,800	3,700	3,400
Trans., Comm. & Util.	111.1	110.7	116.3	2,700	2,700	2,600	7,500	7,500	7,000	3,500	3,500	3,500
Trade	384.2	384.4	385.0	16,900	16,900	16,600	15,300	15,300	14,800	17,400	17,600	17,800
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	99.2	99.0	101.6	3,400	3,200	3,300	2,100	2,000	1,900	2,600	2,600	2,600
Services & Misc.	469.5	468.7	467.6	19,400	19,100	19,000	8,400	8,500	7,900	14,900	14,900	14,500
Government	211.0	216.4	204.1	23,700	23,800	22,500	10,800	10,700	10,500	9,100	9,300	8,800
	LUBBOCK			MCALLEN-EDINBURG-MISSION			MIDLAND			ODESSA		
TOTAL	98,100	98,100	96,600	105,100	105,600	101,100	45,900	46,000	46,400	44,300	44,600	45,500
Manufacturing	7,000	7,000	7,100	13,600	13,700	12,800	2,300	2,300	2,300	4,300	4,400	4,600
Mining	200	200	200	800	800	800	9,500	9,500	9,600	4,900	4,900	5,500
Construction	3,800	3,900	3,600	4,500	4,500	4,300	1,500	1,400	1,500	2,800	2,800	2,600
Trans., Comm. & Util.	5,200	5,200	5,200	3,100	3,200	2,900	2,300	2,300	2,500	2,400	2,300	2,300
Trade	27,100	27,000	27,600	32,300	32,200	31,200	11,000	10,900	10,900	12,400	12,300	12,700
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	4,800	4,800	4,800	3,700	3,700	3,700	2,100	2,100	2,300	1,300	1,300	1,400
Services & Misc.	26,300	26,600	25,500	19,200	19,300	18,400	10,100	10,200	10,200	8,700	8,800	8,900
Government	23,700	23,400	22,600	27,900	28,200	27,000	7,100	7,300	7,100	7,500	7,800	7,500
	SAN ANGELO			SAN ANTONIO			SHERMAN-DENISON			TEXARKANA		
TOTAL	38,200	38,200	37,200	531,500	536,100	523,100	36,300	36,600	37,600	47,100	47,200	46,000
Manufacturing	5,000	4,900	5,000	46,600	46,800	46,000	9,900	9,900	11,000	6,200	6,100	6,400
Mining	500	500	600	1,800	1,800	1,900	—	—	—	100	100	100
Construction	1,100	1,100	1,100	22,500	22,300	22,700	1,400	1,400	1,600	1,500	1,500	1,600
Trans., Comm. & Util.	2,800	2,800	2,800	24,000	23,800	22,800	1,800	1,800	1,700	2,200	2,200	2,200
Trade	9,400	9,300	9,100	131,100	130,800	131,800	7,600	7,700	7,800	11,300	11,300	11,000
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	1,600	1,600	1,500	38,600	38,500	38,600	2,000	2,000	2,000	1,800	1,800	1,800
Services & Misc.	10,400	10,500	9,900	152,400	151,300	145,900	9,400	9,400	9,200	12,200	12,300	11,500
Government	7,400	7,500	7,200	114,500	120,800	113,400	4,200	4,400	4,300	11,800	11,900	11,400
	TYLER			VICTORIA			WACO			WICHITA FALLS		
TOTAL	64,100	64,400	63,800	30,100	30,100	30,100	81,400	82,200	81,100	49,600	50,100	49,300
Manufacturing	11,300	11,300	10,900	2,800	2,800	2,900	14,900	14,700	15,100	7,800	8,000	7,900
Mining	1,700	1,700	1,700	1,400	1,400	1,700	—	—	—	1,400	1,400	1,400
Construction	2,300	2,200	2,300	2,100	2,100	2,100	3,300	3,200	3,200	1,400	1,400	1,400
Trans., Comm. & Util.	3,000	3,000	2,900	1,500	1,500	1,500	3,400	3,400	3,400	2,700	2,700	2,700
Trade	16,400	16,500	15,900	8,600	8,300	8,400	19,100	19,500	19,200	11,800	11,800	11,600
Fin., Ins., & Rl. Est.	3,200	3,200	3,300	1,600	1,600	1,700	5,300	5,400	5,300	2,200	2,200	2,200
Services & Misc.	16,600	16,600	17,000	7,400	7,300	7,000	22,700	22,800	22,100	12,900	12,800	12,500
Government	9,600	9,900	9,800	4,700	5,100	4,800	12,700	13,200	12,800	9,400	9,800	9,600

+ Estimates prepared by TEC in cooperation with the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U. S. Department of Labor.
* Preliminary — subject to revision. ** Revised. *** In Thousands.

HOURS AND EARNINGS IN TEXAS ✣

	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	July'92*	June'92	July'91	July'92*	June'92	July'91	July'92*	June'92	July'91
				FOR TEXAS					
MANUFACTURING TOTAL	$ 471.16	$ 470.98	$ 450.53	42.6	42.7	41.6	$ 11.06	$11.03	$10.83
Durable Goods	456.45	460.75	437.41	42.5	42.9	41.5	10.74	10.74	10.54
Lumber & Wood Products	326.56	323.24	321.53	42.8	42.7	42.7	7.63	7.57	7.53
Furniture & Fixtures	326.21	322.92	315.24	42.2	41.4	41.1	7.73	7.80	7.67
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	439.24	435.16	421.88	44.1	44.0	43.9	9.96	9.89	9.61
Primary Metal Industries	534.45	533.12	491.30	44.5	44.8	42.5	12.01	11.90	11.56
Fabricated Metal Products	431.85	441.81	417.08	42.8	43.7	42.3	10.09	10.11	9.86
Industrial Mach., exc. Electric	444.79	453.53	448.12	42.2	43.4	42.8	10.54	10.45	10.47
Oil Field Machinery	555.07	559.52	563.86	47.0	47.7	48.4	11.81	11.73	11.65
Electronic & Oth. Electrical Eqmt.	466.05	463.97	426.74	42.1	41.5	38.0	11.07	11.18	11.23
Transportation Equipment	621.78	627.07	574.70	42.5	42.6	40.5	14.63	14.72	14.19
Instruments & Related Prod.	434.43	442.68	407.84	41.1	42.2	40.5	10.57	10.49	10.07
Misc. Manufacturing Inds.	312.43	320.76	313.20	39.8	40.5	40.0	7.85	7.92	7.83
Nondurable Goods	487.63	482.51	466.62	42.7	42.4	41.7	11.42	11.38	11.19
Food & Kindred Products	393.98	388.45	383.96	43.2	42.5	42.9	9.12	9.14	8.95
Meat Products	297.22	297.51	291.81	42.4	42.2	42.6	7.01	7.05	6.85
Malt Beverages	959.74	904.90	947.76	47.0	45.2	46.3	20.42	20.02	20.47
Textile Mill Products	385.61	379.01	359.10	45.1	44.8	43.9	8.55	8.46	8.18
Apparel & Other Text. Prods.	246.52	246.63	227.91	38.7	38.9	36.7	6.37	6.34	6.21
Paper & Allied Products	532.97	533.11	511.13	44.6	44.5	43.5	11.95	11.98	11.75
Printing & Publishing	457.25	438.98	429.07	40.5	39.3	39.4	11.29	11.17	10.89
Chemicals & Allied Products	778.96	770.21	755.88	45.5	45.2	44.7	17.12	17.04	16.91
Petroleum & Coal Products	852.09	858.19	797.89	45.3	45.6	44.6	18.81	18.82	17.89
Petroleum Refining	884.39	890.69	825.92	45.4	45.7	44.5	19.48	19.49	18.56
Rubber & Misc. Plastic Products	417.94	417.94	401.10	43.4	43.4	42.4	9.63	9.63	9.46
Leather & Leather Products	264.94	281.57	266.63	39.9	41.9	39.5	6.64	6.72	6.75
NONMANUFACTURING									
Mining	654.69	661.52	628.40	43.1	42.9	43.1	15.19	15.42	14.58
Met/Coal/Nonmet Mnrls. exc. Fuel	695.52	670.08	632.10	50.4	48.0	49.0	13.80	13.96	12.90
Oil & Gas Extraction	651.78	660.03	627.26	42.6	42.5	42.7	15.30	15.53	14.69
Communications	578.85	581.92	547.56	42.5	42.6	40.5	13.62	13.66	13.52
Elec., Gas & San. Services	582.69	565.13	560.03	41.8	41.1	41.7	13.94	13.75	13.43
Wholesale & Retail Trade	263.19	261.16	254.65	33.4	33.1	32.9	7.88	7.89	7.74
Wholesale Trade	449.67	451.60	435.41	39.9	40.0	39.8	11.27	11.29	10.94
Retail Trade	207.24	203.98	199.28	31.4	31.0	30.8	6.60	6.58	6.47
General Merchandise Stores	202.43	200.12	204.41	31.0	30.6	31.4	6.53	6.54	6.51
Depository Inst. inc. Banks	325.31	324.12	315.81	36.8	36.5	36.3	8.84	8.88	8.70

HOURS AND EARNINGS FOR SELECTED TEXAS METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

DALLAS									
Manufacturing	$ 448.38	$ 454.54	$ 433.95	42.3	42.8	40.9	$ 10.60	$ 10.62	$ 10.61
Durable Goods	461.59	476.33	445.38	42.7	43.7	40.6	10.81	10.90	10.97
Nondurable Goods	427.84	418.78	415.66	41.7	41.3	41.4	10.26	10.14	10.04
FORT WORTH-ARLINGTON									
Manufacturing	499.09	493.16	475.86	41.8	41.2	41.2	11.94	11.97	11.55
Durable Goods	525.00	514.57	491.59	42.0	41.1	41.0	12.50	12.52	11.99
Nondurable Goods	448.78	450.85	445.36	41.4	41.4	41.7	10.84	10.89	10.68
HOUSTON									
Manufacturing	583.44	575.95	554.56	44.1	44.1	44.4	13.23	13.06	12.49
Durable Goods	489.07	490.18	482.13	44.3	44.4	44.6	11.04	11.04	10.81
Nondurable Goods	701.96	684.59	654.72	43.9	43.8	44.0	15.99	15.63	14.88
SAN ANTONIO									
Manufacturing	334.94	342.76	329.22	41.3	41.8	40.1	8.11	8.20	8.21
Durable Goods	337.42	347.36	338.65	41.3	41.5	40.9	8.17	8.37	8.28
Nondurable Goods	332.05	337.68	319.90	41.3	42.0	39.3	8.04	8.04	8.14

✣Figures for Texas and selected areas cover Production Workers in Manufacturing and Mining Industries only and Nonsupervisory Employees in other industry divisions. Earnings' averages include premium pay for overtime, holidays, and for late-shift work. *Preliminary — subject to revision upon receipt of additional reports.

SOURCE: Texas Employment Commission in cooperation with the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U. S. Department of Labor.

200. Increases of 100 each were found in Apparel and Other Finished Textile Products and in Leather and Leather Products. Textile Mill Products fell by 100 over the month. No change was reported in Petroleum and Coal Products.

Durable Goods lost 700 jobs from one month ago. Transportation Equipment dropped by 400 from June, concentrated in Aircraft and Parts. Decreases of 200 each were found in Furniture and Fixtures and Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries. Smaller losses of 100 each were found in Primary Metal Industries, Industrial Machinery and Equipment and in Instruments and Related Products. Both Fabricated Metal Industries and Transportation Equipment were down 1,600 from one year ago.

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Average Weekly Earnings Increase

For the estimated 654,200 Texas Manufacturing Production Workers, Average Hourly Earnings increased by three cents over the month and Average Weekly Hours were down by one-tenth of an hour, causing Average Weekly Earnings to increase by eighteen cents from June '92. This was $20.63 above the July '91 level.

In mid-July a worker, on average, was earning $11.06 per hour for a 42.6-hour work week and making $471.16 in average weekly earnings.

Durable Goods reported a loss of $4.30 in Average Weekly Earnings over the month. The largest loss in Durables was reported in Fabricated Metal Products which was down by $9.96 from June '92. Losses of over $8.00 were found in Industrial Machinery, Except Electric, Instruments and Related Products, and in Miscellaneous Manufacturing Industries. Transportation Equipment was down by $5.29 in Average Weekly Earnings from one month ago. The largest increase in Durables was seen in Stone, Clay and Glass Products, up by $4.08 over the month. Increases of over $3.00 were found in Lumber and Wood Products and Furniture and Fixtures. Primary Metal Industries rose by $1.33 in Average Weekly Earnings from June '92.

Nondurable Goods increased by $5.12 in Average Weekly Earnings over the month. The largest increase occurred in Malt Beverages (part of Food and Kindred Products), up by $54.84, as brewers scheduled longer work weeks in July. Printing and Publishing increased by $18.27, while Textile Mill Products went up by $6.60 over the month.

TEC ACTIVITIES

	July'92	July'91
Total Population	17,711,400*	17,349,000*
% UI Covered Unemployment	2.1	1.9
UI Covered Employers	330,463	320,572
Total Claims Actions	793,103	713,919
Total Initial Claims Actions	82,870	72,569
Total Cont'd. Claims Actions	710,233	641,350
Total Placements	not available	39,152
Avg. Weekly Benefit Amount	$170.31	$165.34
Total Amount Paid (Net)**	101,015,126	85,666,055

*Revised.
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